

program (rejected by a recorded vote of 201 ayes to 223 noes, Roll No. 529);

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The Obey motion that the Committee rise and report the bill back to the House with the recommendation that the enacting clause be stricken;

Pages H7228–30

The Chenoweth amendment that sought to prohibit use of funds to provide bonuses or any other merit-based salary increase for any employee of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (rejected by a recorded vote of 111 ayes to 317 noes, Roll No. 532); and

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The Ward amendment, as amended by the Archer perfecting amendment (agreed to by a recorded vote of 231 ayes to 193 noes, Roll No. 533), that sought to prohibit use of funds to issue any tax compliance certificate of any individual departing the United States unless a system is in place that provides tax rules on expatriation pursuant to the provisions of H.R. 1812 as reported by the Committee on Ways and Means.

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The following were offered but subsequently withdrawn:

The Dingell motion that the Committee rise and report the bill back to the House with the recommendation that the enacting clause be stricken; and

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The Sanders amendment that sought to prohibit use of funds to pay the salaries or expenses of any employee in connection with the obligation or expenditure of funds in the exchange stabilization fund.

Pages H7224–25

Agriculture Appropriations: House completed all general debate and began reading for amendment on H.R. 1976, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996; but came to no resolution thereon. Proceedings under the 5-minute rule will resume on Thursday, July 20.

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Agreed to the Skeen amendment made in order by the rule that strikes the restrictions on enrollments of land in the Conservation Reserve Program and Wetlands Reserve Program, the \$800 million cap on Export Enhancement Program expenditures, and language barring livestock feed assistance disaster payments in cases where crop insurance was available to the producer; reduces the appropriation for Consolidated Farm Service Agency salaries and expenses by \$17.5 million; eliminates the Great Plains Conservation Program; reduces the appropriation for low-income rural housing direct loan by \$400 million and increases the guaranteed loan program by \$200 million; eliminates the Rural Development Loan Fund Program Account; and reduces the overall amount appropriated for solid waste management grants and

for rural water and waste disposal grants and loans by \$127 million (agreed to by a recorded vote of 240 ayes to 173 noes, Roll No. 535).

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Late Report: Committee on Appropriations received permission to have until midnight tonight to file a report on H.R. 2076, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

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Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H7257–59.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and nine recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7196–97, H7205, H7206, H7213–14, H7214, H7225–26, H7231–32, H7236–37, H7238–39, and H7249–50. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary appropriations for fiscal year 1996.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on D.C. Finances. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority: Arthur F. Brimmer, Chairman, and John W. Hill, Jr., Executive Director.

STATE OF THE ECONOMY, INTEREST RATES AND PRICE STABILITY

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy held a hearing on the state of the economy, interest rates and price stability (Humphrey-Hawkins). Testimony was heard from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

FEDERAL POWER ASSET PRIVATIZATION ACT; ALASKA POWER ADMINISTRATION SALE ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1801, Federal Power Asset Privatization Act of 1995; and H.R. 1122, Alaska Power Administration

Sale Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Foley; the following officials of the Department of Energy: Elizabeth Moler, Chair, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; and Robert Nordhaus, General Counsel; and a public witness.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations continued joint oversight hearings on Waste, Fraud and Abuse in the Medicare Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: June Gibbs Brown, Inspector General; Michael Mangano, Principal Deputy Inspector General; and Judy Berek, Senior Advisor to the Administrator for Program Integrity, Health Care Financing Administration; the following officials of the GAO: Sarah F. Jagger, Director, Health, Financing and Policy Issues, Health, Education and Human Services Division; Richard C. Steiner, Director, Office of Special Investigations; and Barney Gomez, Principal Investigator; and a public witness.

MILITARY CONNECTED CHILDREN AND IMPACT AID

Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth and Families held a hearing on Military Connected Children and Impact Aid. Testimony was heard from Representatives Christensen, Bateman and Edwards; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—WACO

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs, and Criminal Justice, and Subcommittee on Crime of the Committee on the Judiciary held a joint oversight hearing on Federal Law Enforcement Actions in Relation to the Branch Davidian Compound in Waco, Texas. Testimony was heard from Ray Jahn and Bill Johnston, both Assistant U.S. Attorneys, Department of Justice; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Davy Aguilera, Special Agent and Ed Owen, Firearms Expert, both with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms; H. Geoffrey Moulton, Jr., Project Director, Review Team; Dick Reavis, author of *Ashes of Waco*; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Ordered reported amended the following measures: H. Con. Res. 42, supporting a resolution to the long-standing dispute regarding Cyprus; and H. Res. 158, congratulating the people of Mongolia on the fifth anniversary of

the first democratic multiparty elections held in Mongolia on July 29, 1990.

The Committee also held a hearing on United States Policy Toward Cyprus. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: James Williams, Special Coordinator for Cyprus; and Richard Boucher, Ambassador to Cyprus; and public witnesses.

COERCIVE POPULATION CONTROL IN CHINA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on Coercive Population Control in China. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1270, Madrid Protocol Implementation Act; and H.R. 1295, Federal Trademark Dilution Act of 1995. Testimony was heard from Philip G. Hampton, II, Assistant Commissioner, Trademarks Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

IMMIGRATION IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims continued markup of H.R. 1915, Immigration in the National Interest Act of 1995.

DISAPPROVING MFN TREATMENT TO CHINA; CHINA POLICY

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a voice vote, a rule providing for consideration in the House of H.R. 2058, China Policy Act of 1995. The rule provides 90 minutes of general debate. The rule provides for one motion to recommit, which, if containing instructions, may only be offered by the Minority leader or his designee.

After disposition of H.R. 2058, the rule provides that it shall be in order to consider in the House H.J. Res. 96, disapproving the extension of non-discriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of the People's Republic of China. The joint resolution shall be debatable for 1 hour. Pursuant to sections 152 and 153 of the Trade Act of 1974, the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the joint resolution to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to table, if offered by Representative Wolf or his designee. The provisions of sections 152 and 153 of the Trade Act of 1974 shall not apply to any other joint resolution disapproving the extension of most-favored-nation treatment to the People's Republic of China for the remainder of the first session of the

104th Congress. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Bereuter, Wolf, Gibbons and Pelosi.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2002, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996. The rule waives clause 3 of rule XIII (requiring a committee bill report to contain the text of the statute being repealed within that committee bill) and section 401(a) of the Congressional Budget Act (prohibiting consideration of legislation, as reported, providing new contract authority that is not limited to amounts provided in appropriations acts).

The rule provides for the reading of the bill by title, rather than by paragraph or numbered section, for amendment, and each title is considered as read. The rule waives clause 6 (prohibiting reappropriations) of rule XXI against provisions in the bill and clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized and legislative provisions) against provisions in the bill except as otherwise specified in the rule.

The rule provides for the consideration of an amendment by Representative Solomon of New York or Representative Clinger of Pennsylvania, printed in part 2 of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying the rule. The amendment shall be considered as read, is not subject to amendment or to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order are waived against the amendment.

The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the *Congressional Record*. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Wolf, Shuster, Petri, Smith of Michigan, Fox of Pennsylvania, Ney, Coleman, Foglietta, Spratt, Mineta, Rahall, Nadler, Orton, Harman and Minge.

BUDGET PROCESS

Committee on Rules: Subcommittee on Legislative and Budget Process and the Subcommittee on Rules and Organization of the House continued joint hearings on the Congressional Budget Process. Testimony was heard from Representatives Cox of California, Largent, Horn, Barton of Texas, Visclosky, Orton, Stenholm and Wise.

NASA AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics approved for full Committee action amend-

ed H.R. 2043, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization, Fiscal Year 1996.

SBA'S LOW-DOCUMENTATION LOAN PROGRAM

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Programs concluded hearings on SBA's Low-Documentation (LowDoc) Loan Program. Testimony was heard from John Koskinen, Deputy Director, OMB.

ELIGIBILITY REFORM INITIATIVES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on eligibility reform initiatives. Testimony was heard from Kenneth W. Kizer, M.D., Under Secretary, Health, Department of Veterans Affairs; David P. Baine, Director, Federal Health Care Delivery, Health, Education and Human Services Division, GAO; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

SAVING MEDICARE AND BUDGET RECONCILIATION ISSUES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Saving Medicare and Budget Reconciliations Issues. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ETHICS COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM ON CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to consider Ethics Committee memorandum on Classified Information.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 20, 1995

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, Subcommittee on Drinking Water, Fisheries, and Wildlife, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Endangered Species Act, 9 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance, to continue hearings to examine Medicare payment policies, focusing on the Medicare services experiencing the most rapid growth in spending, including home health care, skilled nursing, rehabilitation hospitals and clinical laboratories, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy, to hold hearings on provisions of S. 1029, to establish and